

farmland popular investment

Foreigners buying Texas?

United Press International
USTIN — A Netherlands firm legislation prohibiting or placing restrictions on foreign ownership of agricultural land.

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by Sulphur Bluff Realty amounts to land area, and an even larger perhe same firm, Sulphur Bluff centage of its usable farm land.

acres of land in Hopkins County, as land valued at \$5.3 million in and 117 acres in Franklin County

Rep. Dan Kubiak, D-Rockdale, who was a co-sponsor last session of unsuccessful attempts to restrict foreign ownership of agricultural and they said they didn't want to go land in Texas, said it is time the into agricultural production, but state placed limits on foreign

"It's a frightening situation when

about 75 percent of Shell's owner-5.2 percent of that county's total ship is in the Netherlands, and said land area, and an even larger per-the firm went all out to block pasentage of its usable farm land. sage of a bill limiting purchases of The same firm purchased 4,753 agricultural land by foreigners.

They were really ruthless and wanted no compromise," Kubiak

didn't want to be prohibited from doing so.

Records on file in the office of Agwe by some legislators to attempt we see so much of our land starting riculture Commissioner Reagan in in 1981 to place limitations on to be purchased by the Germans, Brown show West Germans were ign ownership of land in Texas, for instance, and the Japanese, the heaviest investors in Texas lands It's getting to the point of some Arabs and others that are coming in in a recent six month period, paying m," said Speaker Bill Clayton, and buying up our resources," an estimated \$7.2 million for 8,456

acres of land, including more than 1,000 acres in citrus groves in Hidalgo County and 3,548 acres in Zavala County.

A Mexican buyer, Alvaro Lebrija, purchased 14,030 acres of land in Pecos County for grazing, and A.F. Longoria of Mexico purchased 2,987 acres in La Salle County.

Purchases of more than 1,000 acres by buyers from Canada, Holland, Switzerland and West Germany also were recorded in Denton, Bowie, Henderson, and

Blanco counties.

Kubiak contends many of the countries have treaties with the United States allowing their citizens to purchase Texas land, produce food on it, and sell the food outside the U.S. and not pay any taxes.

Blue butterflies feared extinct

United Press International
LONDON — Scientists say the large blue butterfly — a wonder of nature that could live only if kid-

napped by hungry ants — is extinct in England because the last known batch of its eggs failed to hatch.

"The loss illustrates the extreme vulnerability of wildlife to the whittling away of habitats." and Prowhittling away of habitats," said Pro-fessor Fred Holloway, president of the Nature Conservancy Council.

The strange butterfly was abundant in England for thousands of years and was thriving as recently as the mid-1950s. But environmental changes in England's farmlands led to depletion of the blue butterfly population, the NCC said.

A research program in 1972 found the butterfly was dependent on a fragile environment based on help from a certain kind of red ant.

Young blue caterpillars oozed a honeydew substance that attracted the ants, which would carry the caterpillars back to their nests. For the rest of the winter months, the caterpillars would feed on ant lar-vae. In spring, they changed into butterflies

But the last-known batch of eggs didn't hatch, the environmental groups said this week.



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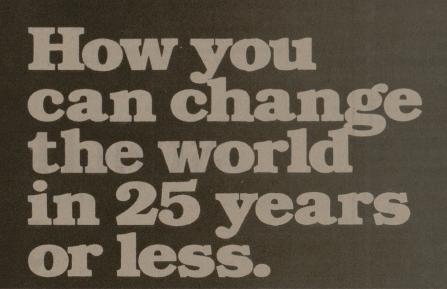
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